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Overview

There were 65 accidents that occurred in May 2009. This is a 25.3% decrease from last month's 87 accidents. There was one fatal crash, resulting in one person killed. There was only one accident involving an impaired driver; two less than in April 2009. Of the 65 accidents, 11 or 16.7% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in eight, or 72%, of those accidents. Seven of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity increased by 448 citations, or 17.5% as compared to April 2009. Speed violations increased by 291 citations, or 19.3% from the prior month. Hazardous moving violations increased by 14 citations, or 11.8% from the prior month. Occupant restraint violations increased by 113 citations, or 63.8% as compared to April 2009. There were 34 arrests of impaired drivers prior to a crash during March. This is a decrease of three as compared to April 2009 and a decrease of 1, or 2.9% from May 2008.

Commercial vehicle inspections increased 38.8%, or 202 inspections over April 2009. Enforcement activity also increased by 11.9%, as compared to April 2009. There were 96 more safety violations written in May than in April 2009. There was an 11.1% decrease, or 12 citations, in cited safety violations from April 2009. There were 54 vehicles and 19 drivers placed, "out of service" in May 2009. Vehicles placed out of service increased by 19 as compared to April 2009, and drivers placed out of service increased by 11.8%, or 2 as compared to April 2009. Traffic personnel conducted 231 inspections during May. This is a decrease of 21.7% or 64 less inspections as compared to April 2009.

Front office personnel showed a decrease of 49.5% from April 2009 accident reports processed. Arrest reports processed; remained consistent with April 2009 for a total of 57. Incident reports processed also remained consistent with April 2009. The Communications Center radio transmissions increased slightly by .2% as compared to April 2009. CAD incidents and telephone calls remained relatively the same from the prior month and year.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	May-09		May-08	% Change		April-09	% Change
Total Crashes	65		80	-17.5%		87	-24.1%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	47		44	6.8%		62	-24.2%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	17		32	-46.9%		24	-29.2%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1		4	-50.0%		1	100.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	1		2	-50.0%		3	-66.7%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	1		4	-75.0%		1	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		1	-100.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	1		1	0.0%		0	100.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	11		10	10.0%		22	-50.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	11		8	25.0%		17	-41.2%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	1		2	-50.0%		4	-75.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		0	0.0%		1	-100.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 1.5%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 1.5%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 16.7%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- Accidents were down by 22 from April for a 25.3% decrease. There were 15 fewer crashes than the previous year for an 18.8% decrease.
- There was only 1 DUI crash for the month of April which reflects a 66.7% decrease from the previous month and a 50% decrease from the previous year. The BAC results for all the DUI driver's are pending.
- There was one fatal crash in May, which is one, the same as the previous month. It is 3 less than the total from the previous year. The fatal crash involved a motorcycle on US 6 Southeast of Ely where one person was killed.

There were 11 accidents involving commercial motor vehicles during the month of May. This is a decrease of 11 accidents or 50% from April 2009. The 11 accidents accounted for 16.7% of the total accidents in the Command. Of the 11 accidents, eight were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. There was one accident involving a commercial vehicle in which the passenger vehicle driver was found to be at fault. Eight of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80. The remaining 3 occurred on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

	May-09		May-08	% Change		April-09	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	1		2	-50.0%		3	-66.7%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	34		35	-2.9%		37	-8.1%
Other Arrests	132		157	-15.9%		124	6.5%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	74		76	-2.6%		79	-6.3%
Speed violations	1797		1475	21.8%		1506	19.3%
Hazardous moving violations	133		154	-13.6%		119	11.8%
Occupant restraint violations *	290		332	-12.7%		177	63.8%
Total violations [above violations included]	3004		2808	7.0%		2556	17.5%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	55		33	66.7%		44	25.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	34		41	-17.1%		54	-37.0%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	723		518	39.6%		521	38.8%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	8		0	800.0%		0	800.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	96		83	15.7%		108	-11.1%
Total safety violations -- repair order	901		790	14.1%		805	11.9%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	54		13	315.4%		35	54.3%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	19		7	171.4%		17	11.8%
Total school buses inspected	1		0	100.0%		32	-96.9%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	0		0	0.0%		5	-500.0%
Total trucks weighed	434		554	-21.7%		796	-45.5%
Total overweight citations	1		3	-66.7%		18	-94.4%
Total dyed fuel inspections	654		504	29.8%		503	30.0%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- Total violations increased by 448 violations or 17.5% from April 2009 and increased 7% or by 196 citations as compared to May 2008.
- Speed enforcement was up from April 2009 by 291 violations, for a 19.3% increase. Hazardous moving violations increased by 14 or 11.8% as compared to April 2009. Occupant restraint violations increased by 113 or 63.8% from the previous month, but decreased from the previous year by 42 or 12.7%.
- There were 34 DUI arrests prior to crashes for an 8.1% decrease from the prior month. This is a 2.9% decrease from the previous year. The average reported BAC for impaired drivers for May was .161.
- Commercial vehicle inspections increased by 202 safety inspections, or 38.8% as compared to April 2009. Inspections increased by 205, or 39.6% as compared to the previous year. Total violations were up by 96, or 11.9% as compared to April and 111, or 14.1% as compared to the previous year. There was an 11.1% decrease, or 12 violations, in cited safety violations as compared to April 2009. There were 19 drivers and 54 vehicles placed out of service. Vehicles placed out of service increased 54.3%, or by 19 as compared to April. There was a decrease of 362, or 45.5%, in the number of trucks weighed as compared to April 2009. During May, Central Command Commercial troopers produced 34 traffic citations or traffic related arrests in addition to their commercial inspections.
- There were 434 trucks weighed by commercial enforcement in May. Of those trucks weighed, 158 were weighed on secondary roadways during 243.3 hours of team oriented, directed enforcement. This is an average of one truck being weighed every 1.54 hours while on high intensity, directed enforcement.
- MCSAP AA II Suzana Ayala certified 346 commercial vehicle inspections and entered 158 hand written commercial vehicle inspections during May. Additionally, she entered 18 commercial vehicle accidents into SafetyNet for other commands.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
May-09	231	70	178	12	7	183	2
May-08	178	61	179	9	3	155	0
% Change	29.8%	14.8%	-0.6%	33.3%	133.3%	18.1%	#DIV/0!

May-09	231	70	178	12	7	183	2
April-09	295	64	228	7	5	212	0
% Change	-21.7%	9.4%	-21.9%	71.4%	40.0%	-13.7%	#DIV/0!

- Traffic operations personnel conducted 231 level 2/3 inspections during May. This was a decrease of 21.7% as compared to April 2009. There was a decrease of 21.9% in repair orders as compared to last month. Seventy citations were issued for safety violations. This is a 9.4% increase from last month's 64 citations issued. There were 178 repair orders issued during the inspections with seven vehicles and 12 drivers being placed out of service. Vehicles placed out of service increased by 2, or 40% as compared to April 2009. Drivers placed out of service increased by five, or 71.4% as compared to April 2009.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	May-09		May-08	% Change		April-09	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions	70216		64881	8.2%		70060	0.2%
CAD incidents	6311		8865	-28.8%		6194	1.9%
Telephone Calls	7207		8281	-13.0%		7803	-7.6%
Call Box Incidents	0		104	-10400.0%		0	0.0%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	53		66	-19.7%		105	-49.5%
Arrest Reports Processed	57		73	-21.9%		57	0.0%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	7		9	-22.2%		7	0.0%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	170		225	-24.4%		255	-33.3%
Warrants Entered	182		188	-3.2%		210	-13.3%
Warrants Cleared	190		200	-5.0%		214	-11.2%
Warrants Validated	1571		2149	-26.9%		995	57.9%
Extradition / Transports	3		6	-50.0%		9	-77.8%
EVIDENCE							
New Cases Submitted	N/A		5	N/A		N/A	
New Items Submitted	N/A		7	N/A		N/A	
Items Disposed	N/A		6	N/A		N/A	

Contract Service overtime was 246.16 hours during six escorts totaling \$21,241.

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- Contract services revenue was up in May as compared to April by \$11,375.
- Communications Center radio transmissions remained relatively the same from the previous month and from the previous year.
- The evidence section totals for May 2009 and April 2009 are unavailable. These numbers may be available in Headquarters.
- Front Office personnel processed 49.5% less accident reports than the previous month. The number of processed arrest remained consistent with last month. Incident reports also remained the same as compared to the previous month and decreased by 2 as compared to the previous year.
- The Court/Warrant Unit work experienced decreases in warrants received and warrants entered as compared to last month and the same period last year. Warrant validations completed were up dramatically as compared to the prior month.

PERSONNEL

PSD III Mayra Cortez-Cerventes was promoted to PSD IV on April 13, 2009. Currently, there are two PSD I positions open in the Central Command dispatch center. Sally Still is in the background process for one of the positions and PSD V Vicki Albin is checking the layoff list to possibly fill the second position. The Court Warrants AA III position has been filled by Julie Heki and is scheduled to report to Central Command on June 15th.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

During the month of May, Trooper Stewart completed a CDL safety presentation for Winnemucca College. Trooper Stewart conducted 2 EMS presentations, both at Newmont Mine in Winnemucca and in Battle Mountain. Sergeant Higgins assisted Trooper Stewart by conducting a seatbelt education class for pre-school parents and teachers. Trooper Stewart also conducted a Hazardous Driving presentation for Barrick mine in Elko. He conducted 2 High School Senior Safety presentations, one at Wendover and the other at White Pine. Trooper Stewart conducted a Safety Fair at Wal-mart in Elko and then topped the month off by heading up the annual Tip-a-Cop event.

AIR OPERATIONS

The Central Command Aircraft flew 24.8 hours, completing 10 missions during the month of May. There were 5 speed enforcement missions flown in May. During these speed enforcement missions, the aircraft produced the below listed activity:

Type of Violation	Enforcement Actions
Speed	76
Hazardous	8
Non-Hazardous	6
Seat belt	1
Arrests	1

One subject was arrested for suspicion of driving under the influence along with several other charges, resulting from the speed enforcement mission.

The remaining missions consisted of one line patrol mission for 1.1 hours of flight time and 2 personnel transports. 18 motorists were assisted during these air missions. Compared to April, flight time was up 29%, and enforcement activity was up 119%. When compared to May 2008, flight time is down 47%, enforcement activity is up 5% and motorist assisted are up 150%.